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Examiner: **Baker**

Title: **METHODS OF SCREENING FOR APOPTOSIS-CONTROLLING AGENTS FOR BONE ANABOLIC THERAPIES AND USES THEREOF**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 25, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Enclosed in addition to this response are: a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the fee of \$460.00 for the Petition. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any other requisite fees, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims ~~2, 5, 20, 21 and 24.~~